

Citizen Redistricting Committee
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Hon. Edward L. Chávez, Chair
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Hon. Lisa Curtis
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Joaquin Sanchez
Hon. Michael Sanchez
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CITIZEN REDISTRICTING COMMITTEE

Meeting Minutes of August 7, 2021 | 1:00PM-5:30PM
West Mesa High School Randy Castillo Performing Arts Center
6701 Fortuna Rd NW, 87121
Albuquerque, NM
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1. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

The meeting was called to order by Chair Chávez. The roll was called; the following Committee Members were present.

HON. EDWARD L. CHÁVEZ, CHAIR
RYAN CANGIOLSI, MEMBER
HON. LISA CURTIS, MEMBER
ROBERT RHATIGAN, MEMBER
JOAQUIN SANCHEZ, MEMBER
HON. MICHAEL SANCHEZ, MEMBER
CHRISTOPHER SAUCEDO, MEMBER

Justice Chávez briefly reviewed the creation of the CRC. The Chair and members briefly gave biographies.

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Chair Chávez sought a motion to approve the agenda. Committee Member Curtis moved to approve the agenda; Committee Member Saucedo seconded. Hearing no discussion, Chair Chávez conducted a vote. All Committee Members voted in the affirmative, and the agenda was approved unanimously.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 2, 2021 COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair Chávez sought a motion to approve minutes of the AUGUST 2, 2021 Committee meeting. Committee Member J. Sanchez moved to approve minutes; Committee Member Curtis seconded. Hearing no discussion, Chair Chávez conducted a roll-call vote. All Committee Members voted in the affirmative, and the motion was approved unanimously.

4. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF AUGUST 5, 2021 COMMITTEE MEETING

Chair Chávez sought a motion to approve minutes of the August 5, 2021 Committee meeting. Committee Member M. Sanchez moved to approve minutes; Committee Member Saucedo seconded. Hearing no discussion, Chair Chávez conducted a roll-call vote. All Committee Members voted in the affirmative, and the motion was approved unanimously.

5. OPENING REMARKS ON CRC'S WORK AND MISSION (18:30)

Chair Chávez made comments on the Committee's work and direction. Chair Chávez introduced attending elected officials.

6. REDISTRICTING 101

Mr. Michael Sharp, of Research & Polling ("R&P"), gave a brief presentation on criteria the Committee must consider in its examination of maps (*R&P slide presentation is available on the website*).

7. COMMENTS FROM THE COMMUNITY (tags in bold)

- Maureen Skowran, **communities of interest** of Native Americans. (1:43 PM)
- Colton Dean, **favors "international district"** (Time from start on video 2:04)*
- Senator Padilla. District 14 came about because of SW mesa. (2:13)
- Representative Maestas. **Favors undercounting west side districts** to allow for growth. (2:24)
- Nancy Bearce, Bernalillo County Treasurer improvement district also. **Favors international district.** (2:34)
- Andrea Serrano, **favors split of Bernalillo County.** (2:46)
- Melissa Sanchez, Westside Business Association, commented on **districting and growth** of west side. (2:56)
- Marcie May, **favors redrawing congressional districts** (3:00)
- Audrey Trujillo, **favors change in boundaries for Corrales** (3:08)
- Leanna Derek May, claims voter fraud in last election and noted issues with voter rolls. (3:13)
- Joe Gallant, concerned with Albuquerque **districting and growth, congressional districts, spread out communities of interest.** (3:26)
- Sheridan Lord, Albuquerque **change Congressional District 1 for diversity.** (3:37)
- Ailing Martinez, **change South valley** want equitable map so we can be represented (3:39)
- Aileen Castelan, grew up in border area, **favors balanced map for Congressional Districts** (3:43)
- Ms. Ward, **opposes splitting communities by physical** boundaries (3:49)
- Paul Sanchez, **favors international district**, people consider their neighbors, benefit people who can't travel (3:51)
- Vanessa Alarid, **change boundaries west side** (4:02)
- Leo Chávez, concerned with **state and congressional districts around Albuquerque, communities of interest.** (4:06)
- Mr. Gardner. Would like to make sure the CRC is only dealing with Congressional

Districts, state senate, state house and public education. Inquired about county commissioners. (4:15)

- Leslie Mertz. **Communities of interest. Favors international district.** (4:21)

8. COMMITTEE MEMBER DISCUSSION AND DIRECTIONS TO RESEARCH & POLLING REGARDING CONGRESSIONAL PLANS.

The Committee reviewed submissions on the Districtr portal relating to congressional plans. No new maps.

9. COMMITTEE MEMBER DISCUSSION AND DIRECTIONS TO RESEARCH & POLLING REGARDING STATE SENATE PLANS.

The Committee reviewed submissions on the Districtr portal relating to state senate plans. No new maps.

10. COMMITTEE MEMBER DISCUSSION AND DIRECTIONS TO RESEARCH & POLLING REGARDING STATE HOUSE PLANS.

The Committee reviewed submissions on the Districtr portal relating to state house plans. No new maps.

11. COMMITTEE MEMBER DISCUSSION AND DIRECTIONS TO RESEARCH & POLLING FOR THE PUBLIC EDUCATION COMMISSION (“PEC”) PLANS.

The Committee did not review any submissions on the Districtr portal relating to PEC plans, because none were submitted. No new maps.

ADJOURNMENT.

Chair Chávez sought a motion to adjourn. Committee Member Michael Sanchez moved to adjourn; Committee Member Christopher Saucedo seconded. Hearing no discussion Chair Chávez conducted a vote. All Committee Members voted in the affirmative, and the motion was approved unanimously.

*The West Mesa PA system was not functioning, and the audience could not hear the presentations. After several efforts to work with existing equipment, the Chair recessed until additional equipment could be brought to the venue. Once the microphones were functional the meeting was called to order.

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